Section 2 Alternative Land Use and Development Concepts

General Principles

Waterfront:

- Preserve Working Waterfront
- Revitalize Port Area/Improve Physical Setting
- Provide Access Along the Waterfront
- Respect Historic Character/Community Heritage
- Accommodate Diversity of Activities and People to Promote/Expand Economic Opportunities

Alternative Land Use & Development Concepts

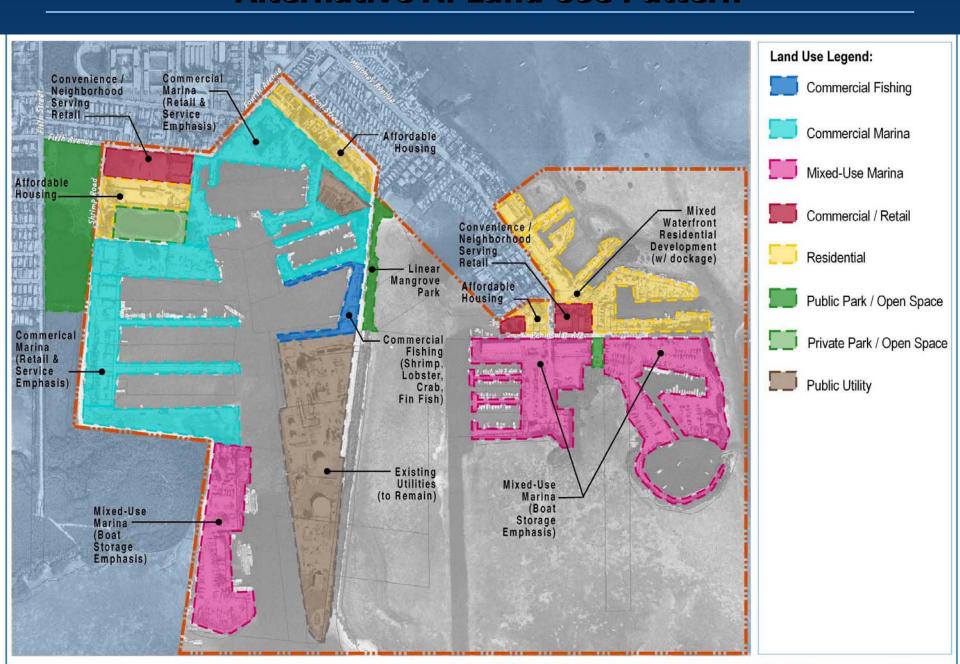
- Alternative A: Market / Trend-Based Alternative Growth (Market Trend Forces)
- Alternative B: Resident Survey-Based Alternative ('Holding the Line")
- Alternative C-1: Balanced Mix of Uses (Working Waterfront)
- Alternative C-2: Balanced Mix of Uses (Commercial/Residential)

Alternative A: Market /Trend-Based Alternative (Trend Growth)

Overview

- Reflects the present trend (e.i, loss of 44% commercial fishing land between 1985 and 2004).
- Over time, commercial fishing land use decreases to a minimal component of the uses in the port area.
- The majority of upland transitions to a mix of other waterfront commercial uses, including marinas, shops, restaurants, and housing.

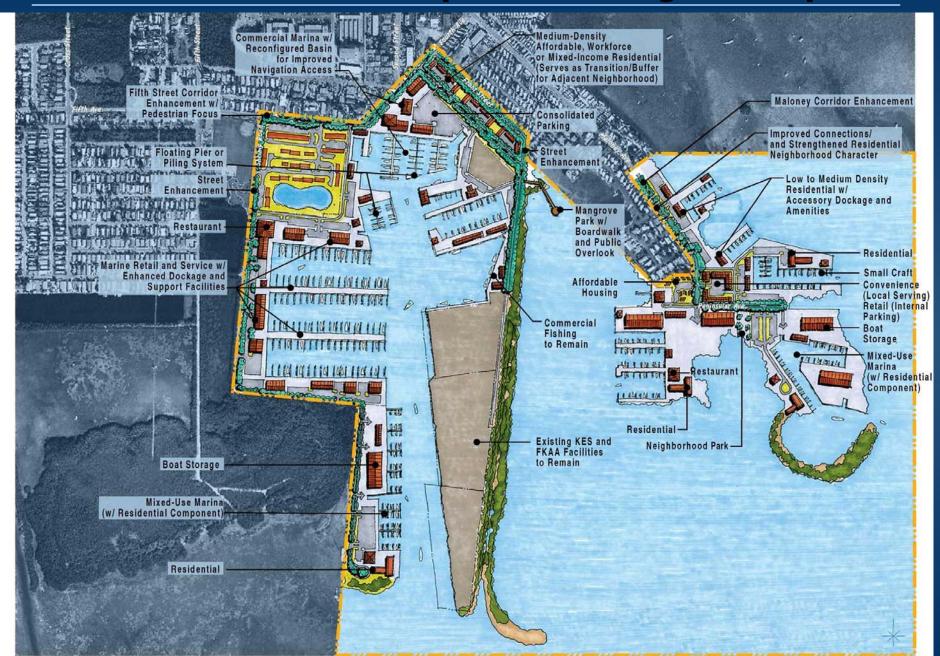
Alternative A: Land Use Pattern



Alternative A: Land Use Distribution

Concept A: Market/	Trend-Bas	ed Alternat	tive					
Land Use					Acreage	%		
Water-dependent u	ses							
Maritime Commercial (recreational/leisure/mixed use marina)								
Recreational/Commercial Mar		ina			34.41	29.1%		
Mixed-Use Marina					32.18	27.2%		
Maritime Industrial (boat repair yard, ship building etc.)					0.00			
Commercial Fishing (seafood wholesale/retail/processing, dockage,					2.47	2.1%		
				Subtotal	69.06	58.4%		
Non water-dependent uses								
Residential					19.60	16.6%		
Commercial (retail, office, etc.)					3.84	3.2%		
Public Utility					22.80	19.3%		
Park / Open Space								
Private					1.84	1.6%		
Public					1.05	0.9%		
				Subtotal	49.13	41.6%		
Total Acreage of Land Uses						100.0%		

Alternative A: Development & Design Concept



Alternative A: Market /Trend-Based Alternative (Trend Growth)

<u>Implications</u>

- Greatest opportunity for marina development and likely greatest revenue/tax benefits to the County.
- Continuation of incipient gentrification of Stock Island.
- Favorable to higher-end residential and tourist economic activity.
- Not well-balanced in terms of base economic development activity needs.

Implementation

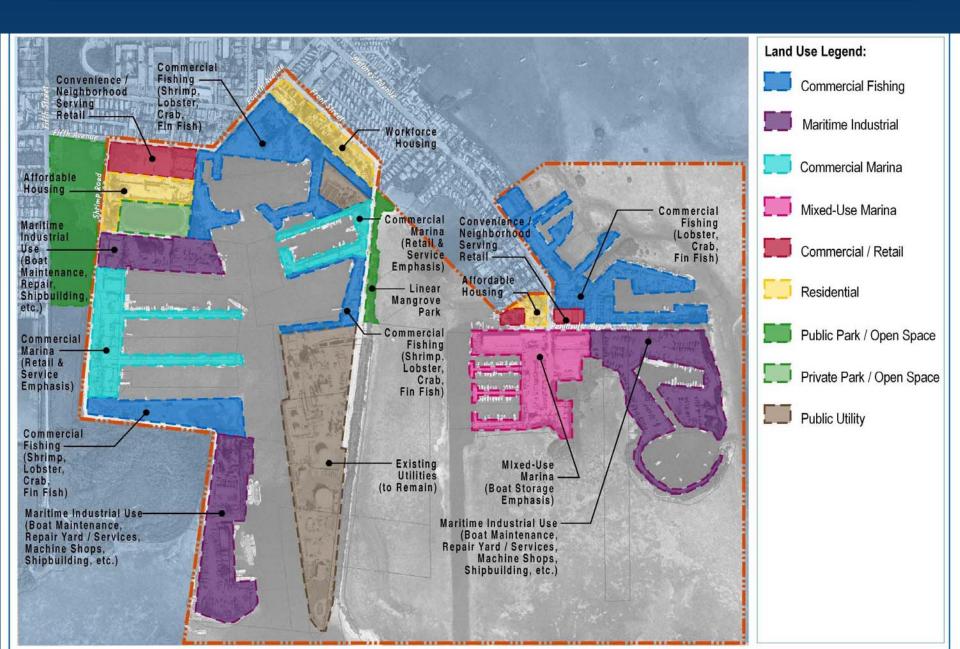
- Assumes present zoning and County policies remain as now.
- County assistance needed to facilitate coordination, organization, and improvement of waterfront functions.
- This could be a County "authority" or a joint "working waterfront improvement group" ("Business Improvement Districts" model).

Alternative B: Resident-Survey Based Alternative ("Holding the Line")

Overview

- Reflects community responses to County-conducted survey for questions related to commercial fishing (2004 survey).
- Sixty-eight percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement: "The community should maintain the amount of land available for light industrial and commercial fishing."
- Sixty-three percent of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement: "I support current regulations in the Comprehensive Plan that protect the commercial fishing industry."

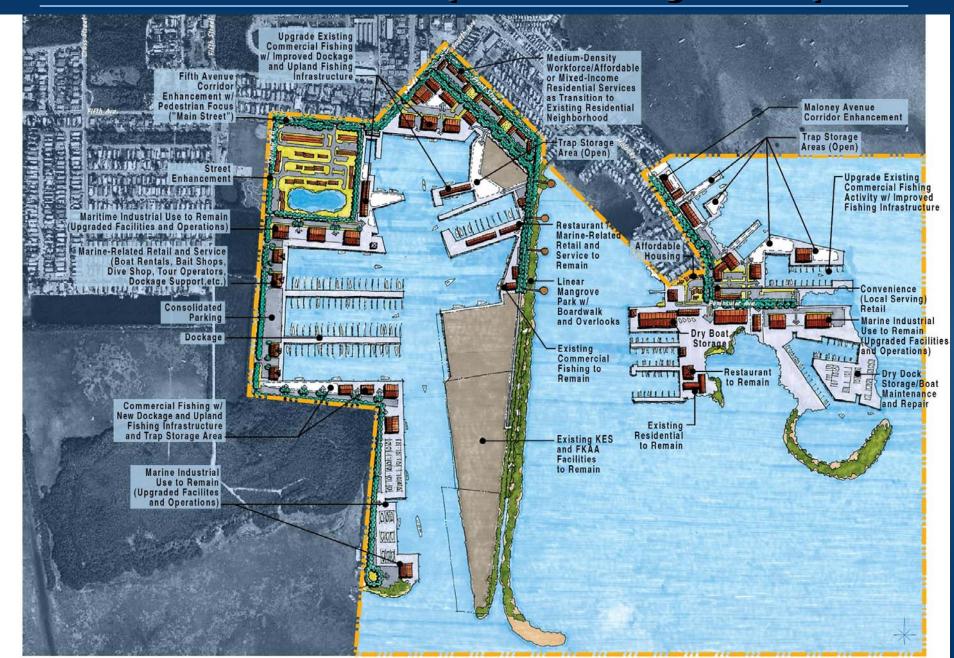
Alternative B: Land Use Pattern



Alternative B: Land Use Distribution

Concept B: Residents Survey-Based Alternative ("Holding the Line")						
Land Use					Acreage	%
Water-dependent use	s					
Maritime Commercial						
Recreational/Commercial Marina					10.98	9.3%
Mixed-Use Marina					9.95	8.4%
Maritime Industrial (boat repair yard, ship building etc.)					28.72	24.3%
Commercial Fishing (seafood wholesale/retail/processing, dockage,						
trap/equipment storage and manufacturing)				28.86	24.4%	
				Subtotal	78.51	66.4%
Non water-dependent	uses					
Residential					11.25	9.5%
Commercial (retail, office, etc.)					3.39	2.9%
Public Utility					22.80	19.3%
Park / Open Space						
Private					1.84	1.6%
Public					0.40	0.3%
				Subtotal	39.68	33.6%
Total Acreage of Land Uses					118.19	100.0%

Alternative B: Development & Design Concept



Alternative B: Resident-Survey Based Alternative ("Holding the Line")

Implications

- Commercial fishing activity is expanded at or near its present locations.
- Offers opportunities for expanded marina development to meet growing demand for this activity.
- Offers opportunities for new workforce housing.

<u>Implementation</u>

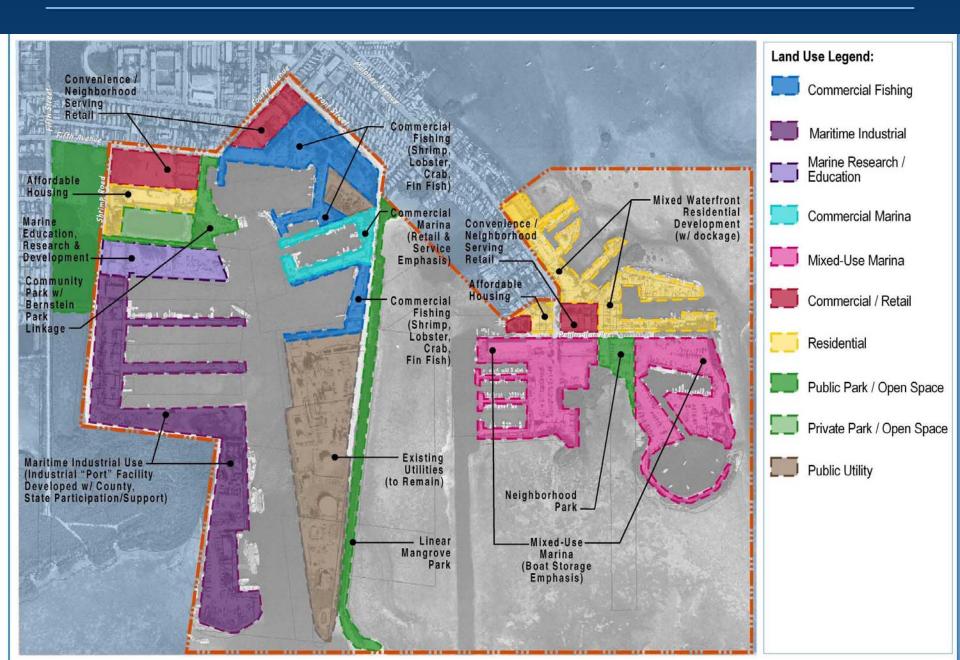
- Will require financial intervention by County/State to retain commercial fishing and waterfront industrial uses.
- Potential approaches: purchase of commercial fishing/waterfront industrial easements; tax deferral; outright property acquisition.
- Creation of "Working Waterfront Improvement Group," as in Alternative A.

Alternative C-1: Balanced Mix of Uses (Working Waterfront)

Overview

- Safe Harbor: retained as the center of the "working waterfront," including commercial fishing and maritime industries, with uses supported by existing deep-water access.
- Commercial fishing and industrial activities consolidate their general current physical arrangement.
- Peninsular area: mixed-use marina facilities with either boat storage or residential emphasis.

Alternative C-1: Land Use Pattern



Alternative C-1: Land Use Distribution

Concept C-1: Balan	ced (Mix of	f Uses) Alt	ernative			
Land Use					Acreage	%
Water-dependent u	ses					
Maritime Commercial (recreational/leisure/mixed use marina)						
Recreational/Commercial Marina					2.39	
Mixed-Use Marina					21.28	18.0%
Maritime Industrial (boat repair yard, ship building etc.)					23.94	20.3%
Commercial Fishing (seafood wholesale/retail/processing, dockage,					11.45	9.7%
Marine Research, Education, Biomedical Research & Development					5.94	5.0%
				Subtotal	65.00	55.0%
Non water-dependent uses						
Residential					16.43	13.9%
Commercial (retail, office, etc.)					6.68	5.7%
Public Utility					22.80	19.3%
Park / Open Space						
Private					1.84	1.6%
Public					5.44	4.6%
				Subtotal	53.19	45.0%
		Total Ac	reage of L	and Uses	118.19	100.0%

Alternative C-1: Development & Design Concept



Alternative C-1: Balanced Mix of Uses

Implications

- Sensitive to preserving current industrial base, while providing for growth and diversification.
- Balanced in County revenue return, while meeting community objectives (survey).
- Commercial fishing land area is reduced, but given an optimal location.
- Industrial waterfront activity is preserved and expanded.

<u>Implementation</u>

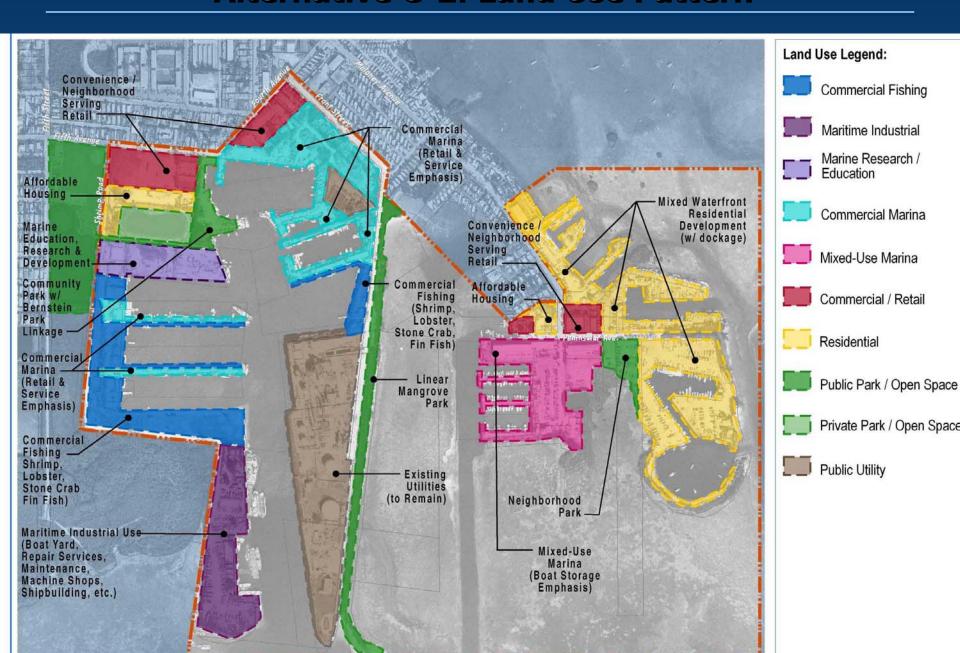
- Strengthens "industrial port" character and importance of Safe Harbor.
- Assumes major public investment in acquisition and development of the waterfront industrial complex.
- Implies some form of "authority" empowered to undertake the development and operation of this industrial complex.

Alternative C-2: Balanced Mix of Uses (Commercial/Residential)

Overview

- More balanced approach to managing land uses in the harbor area than concepts A and B.
- Commercial fishing and waterfront industrial uses are shown relocated and consolidated in the west and south areas of Safe Harbor.
- North and east sides of the Harbor transition to commercial marina and complementary functions.
- Peninsular area transitions to residential-oriented waterfront development, consistent with predominant character of the surrounding area.

Alternative C-2: Land Use Pattern



Alternative C-2: Land Use Distribution

Concept C-2: Balance	ced (Mix o	f Uses) Alt	ernative			
Land Use					Acreage	%
Water-dependent us	ses					
Maritime Commercial (recreational/leisure/mixed use marina)						
Recreational/Commercial Marina					15.13	12.8%
Mixed-Use Marina					9.95	8.4%
Maritime Industrial (boat repair yard, ship building etc.)					10.90	9.2%
Commercial Fishing (seafood wholesale/retail/processing, dockage,					11.75	9.9%
Marine Research, Education, Biomedical Research & Development					5.94	5.0%
				Subtotal	53.67	45.4%
Non water-depende	nt uses					
Residential					26.73	22.6%
Commercial (retail, office, etc.)				6.68	5.7%	
Public Utility					23.83	20.2%
Park / Open Space						
Private					1.84	1.6%
Public					5.44	4.6%
				Subtotal	64.52	54.6%
Total Acreage of Land Uses					118.19	100.0%

Alternative C-2: Development & Design Concept



Alternative C-2: Balanced Mix of Uses (Commercial/Residential)

Implications

- Similar to Alternative C-1 in that:
 - Creates "village center" street front along Fifth Avenue.
 - Diversifies economy with marine-related Research & Development (R & D) or marine education component.
 - Creates opportunities for public access to the water and open space linkages to Bernstein Park.

<u>Implementation</u>

- Similar to Alternative B, along with complementary actions to assist the coordination of the working waterfront facility and operation improvements.
- Open space linkages will likely require public land acquisition.